



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

D.T.E. 04-118

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENT

Petition of Boston Edison Company, Commonwealth Electric Company, Cambridge Electric Light Company, and NSTAR Gas Company seeking approval of their second annual pension and PBOP adjustments, for service on and after January 1, 2005.

On December 7, 2004, Boston Edison Company, Commonwealth Electric Company, Cambridge Electric Light Company, and NSTAR Gas Company (collectively, "Companies") filed with the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") their second annual pension and post-retirement benefits other than pensions ("PBOP") adjustments for effect January 1, 2005. For 2005, the Companies propose pension and PBOP adjustments of the following amounts: (1) for Boston Edison Company, \$0.00059 per kilowatthour ("KWH"); (2) for Commonwealth Electric Company, \$0.00121 per KWH; (3) for Cambridge Electric Light Company, \$0.00122 per KWH; and (4) for NSTAR Gas Company, \$0.0134 per Therm. We docket this matter as D.T.E. 04-118.

Any persons wishing to submit written comments on this filing should file as follows: an original with Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station - 2nd Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110; two (2) copies with the assigned Hearing Officer (Caroline M. Bulger); and four (4) copies with the Director of Rates and Revenue Requirements Division (Kevin Brannelly). One copy of all written comments or petitions to intervene should also be sent to the Companies' attorney, Robert Werlin, Esq., Keegan, Werlin & Pabian, 21 Custom House, Boston, Massachusetts at 617-951-1400. The original and copies should be delivered to the Department of Telecommunications and Energy, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, not later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) Thursday, **December 16, 2004**.

All written documents should also be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to dte.efiling@state.ma.us and to Caroline.Bulger@state.ma.us; or (2) on a 3.5" disk, IBM-compatible format. The text of the e-mail or the disk label must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.T.E. 04-118), (2) name of the person or company submitting the filing, and (3) a brief

descriptive title of the document. The electronic filing should also include the name, title and phone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Text responses should be created in either Corel WordPerfect, Microsoft Word, or as an Adobe-compatible PDF file. Data or spreadsheet responses should be compatible with Microsoft Excel. Documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's Website, <http://www.mass.gov/dte>.

A copy of these filings are available at the Department's offices, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts for public viewing during business hours. Copies are also on file for public viewing at the offices of the Companies, 800 Boylston Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02199. Any person desiring further information regarding the Companies' filing should contact Robert W. Werlin, Esquire, at (617) 951-1400. Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact Caroline M. Bulger, Hearing Officer, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, at (617) 305-3500.

The Companies are required to serve a copy of this notice upon the service list of Boston Edison Company/Commonwealth Electric Company/Cambridge Electric Light Company/ NSTAR Gas Company, D.T.E. 03-47-A (2003), and to any person who has filed a request for notice with the Companies no later than Monday, **December 13, 2004**, and make return of service at the close of the comment period.

By Order of the Department,

MARY L. COTTRELL, SECRETARY